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AFTER THE AMERICAN COLONIES achieved their independence and the Indians had retired further west, where more favorable hunting, fishing and their way of life could be lived, there was open to those people who could stand the rigors of frontier life an opportunity to settle in this vast new country, where there could be found political, religious and social freedom. This open door invited many immigrants, among whom was John Ray and his family.

The founder of the Ray family in Indiana County, Pennsylvania, was John Ray who, with his wife, whose maiden name was Mary Moore, lived in County Tyrone, Northern Ireland, near Londonderry. The Rays, previous to their coming to North Ireland, had lived in the region of the Firth of Forth, in Scotland. They came to America, arriving in New Jersey, August 5th, 1818, and settled in Indiana County near Pike's Peak, where John and Russell Ray now live. This wilderness homestead had a log house, the kind of houses usually built in the early days, having stones and clay chunking between the logs to keep out the cold and snow, it being very modestly furnished. This was home. Here Mrs. Ray died, December 1, 1855, at the age of 88 years. Mr. Ray was born in 1757, and passed away September 5th, 1865, near Greenville, (now Penn Run); both are buried in Harmony Cemetery, near Penn Run.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray were frugal, honest and thrifty, and prospered in their wilderness home. They were blessed with health and happiness, with a willingness for hard work; were devout, with deep religious convictions, rigidly adhered to, not one day but seven days a week.

The Ray families from far back have been Presbyterians and subscribed to that "Confession of Faith," the children learning the catechism, morning and evening worship being a fixed schedule. Their religion was taken seriously as the older members relate, on Sundays no manual labor was performed except necessities. Sufficient food was prepared Saturdays to last over the Sabbath. Even straw, hay and feed for the cattle was placed near by on Saturday. Whistling was a week-day pastime, but not for Sunday. Singing of hymns was considered appropriate, but no worldly tunes were permitted.

Few roads and the barest necessities of life were all but a match for the shrewd Scotch-Irish ingenuity of the already large family. Hardy were the people who came to know hardships at first-hand; fields to clear—stones to pick—fields to plow with wooden plows—fences to build—crops to plant, tend and garner, threshing with a hickory flail. There were miles to travel to the nearest mill; bread to be baked in out-door ovens; wood to cut for fires; picking flax and carding wool, then weaving it into cloth. From early morning until tallow-candle light it was a herculean task for the families of those days.

Although hard was their task, it seems many were the times of fun, for

the huskin' bee apple snittin' or camp meeting, where the young swains came up on their finest steeds to a fast quick stop in a cloud of dust. Here were the demure young ladies, often casting a sly glance from under their bonnets while singing some spirited song, led quite a few to the altar of matrimony.

The topic of the day was pretty much the same as today, it being about transportation. True, the frontiersman had trails and a few muddy roads about which the state and the politicians in the east did not concern themselves, although different committees from the then backwoods constituents in homespun tried to persuade their eastern brethern to take a hand in the development of this section. It was not until after the construction of the Erie Canal that the eastern Pennsylvania business men became alarmed for fear of the loss of business, that the state undertook the building of better roads than the nearby partly-abandoned Kittanning trail, or a system of waterways to link the east and the west. The final decision to build the Portage Railroad and Canal cheered the plain folks of the central and western counties.

The rugged topography of this section of the state through which passes the Kittanning Trail and the Portage Canal and Railroad, is the most interesting and scenic in the state, with many pleasant valleys and verdant mountains.

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The high standard of our progressive civilization has come to us from labors of the past. What agony of mind, anxiety of heart and heroic endeavor they must have cost ! They lived and worked in a scene of loneliness and insufficiency and uncertainty; their faith was stayed on God.

“We are living, we are dwelling
In the grand and awful time,
In an age on ages telling.
To be living is sublime.”

We honor those pioneer forefathers who were as rugged as the mountains themselves. We are heirs of a vast and invaluable inheritance, which brings with it solemn obligations to transmit it, unimpaired, to the generations following.

THE DESCENDENTS OF JOHN AND MARY (MOORE) RAY

John Ray, the immigrant from County Tyrone, Ireland, declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, March 24th, 1834, in Indiana County, Penna. He stated he arrived in the state of New Jersey, August 5th, 1818; and at the time he made this declaration was a resident of Green township, and was “aged 52 years or thereabouts.” His certificate (No. 249) was granted September 29th, 1836. His voucher was J. Lapsley.

Mary (Moore) Ray, wife of John, is said to have been a descendent of Moore, Lordmayor of London.

This couple had ten children, of whom (I) Matthew, (II) Thomas, (III) James, (IV) Jane and (V) Robert were born in Ireland. Four children, (VI) John, (VII) George, (VIII) Mary, (IX) Elizabeth and (X) William were born in this country.

Thomas, Jane and Mary left no offspring so that their line of the family died with them.

Thomas Ray married Hannah Reese.

Jane Ray married ————.

Mary Ray married Jesse Saltsgiver.

DESCENDENTS OF MATTHEW RAY (I)

Matthew Ray, eldest child of John and Mary (Moore) Ray, was born about 1804, in Ireland. He received his certificate of naturalization ("papers") March 1, 1832. It was signed by William Banks, prothonotary of Indiana County, Pa. He had declared his intention to become a citizen on December 28th, 1829. His vouchers were James and George Lapsley.

Matthew Ray married Jane McCunn. They lived near Greenville (now Penn Run), later on a farm which was sold to Robert Ray. After selling the farm he moved to Indiana and lived on the corner of 10th and Church Streets.

Four sons of Matthew and Jane (McCunn) Ray, John, William J., Matthew S. and Mark, served in the Union Army during the Civil War—were all out at one time and returned without a scratch.

Their children were:

1. John, buried in Oakland Cemetery, Indiana, Pa.
2. Mary Ann, b. 2-3-1833; d. 1916; md. William Trimble Hamill.
3. William J., b. 1838; d. 1882; md. Amanda Stevens.
4. Matthew S., b. 1840; d. 1867; md. Maggie C. Butterfield.
5. Mark, b. 1846; d. 1874; md. Marinda Wolfe.
6. Eliza, md. —————Cochrane. They lived in Iowa; later moved to Ohio, where she died.

MARY RAY HAMILL (No. 2 ABOVE)

Mary Ann Ray (Matthew 2—John 1) was born February 3rd, 1833; on May 27th, 1862, she married William Trimble Hamill. Mr. Hamill was born October 9th, 1830; died March 24th, 1911. Mr. and Mrs. Hamill lived on a farm in White township, Indiana County, which they later sold and moved to Indiana. Mary Ann (Ray) Hamill died November 20th, 1916, in the home of her daughter, Jane McClure, North Braddock, Pa., and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Indiana, Pa.

Their children follow:

- A. Jane, b. 4-27-1863; md. Samuel Richard McClure.
- B. Quincy Adams, b. 11-21-1864; d. 10-3-1896.
- C. Clara Josephine, b. 3-23-1868; m. 8-16-1900, md. Fulton Simpson.
- D. Robert, b. 3-2-1872; d. 1-31-1934; md. 10-14-1908, Iva Moore.
- E. Matthew Wilson, b. 3-12-1876; d. 9-2-1899; single.

JANE HAMILL McCLURE (A)

Jane Hamill (Mary Ann Ray 3—Math. 2—John 1), eldest daughter of William Trimble Hamill and Mary Ann (Ray) Hamill, was born April 27th, 1863, and on August 18th, 1897, married Samuel Richard McClure, who died December 3rd, 1935. Mrs. McClure resides at—————

Their children:

- a. Robert Hamill McClure, md. Dortha Rubeksetter; graduate of Pa. State College and University of Pittsburgh; is an attorney with offices in Pittsburgh. Residence, Swissvale, Pa.
- b. Mary Elizabeth McClure, md. Dr. John W. Ross.

Their children:

- Jane Elizabeth Ross,
John Mershon Ross.
- c. George William McClure; md. Lucille Jackson. Their children:
Samuel Richardson McClure II.
Jane Evelyn McClure.
- d. Eleanor Ruth McClure; md. William B. Duke. Their children:
Richard McClure Duke.
Robert William Duke.
- e. Jannette Eunice McClure (single).

CLARA JOSEPHINE HAMILL (C)

Clara Josephine Hamill (Mary Ann Ray 3—Matth. 2—John 1) was born March 23rd, 1868; on August 16th, 1900, married William Fulton Simpson. Mr. Simpson was born September 3rd, 1868, and died July 24th, 1926.

Their children:

- a. Mary Bell, b. July 12th, 1902.
- b. Ruth Margaret, b. March 3rd, 1903.
- c. George Fulton, b. February 4th, 1906.
- d. Ray Hamill, b. September 2, 1907; md. June 8, 1935, Harriet Donna Blake. Their children:
Charlotte Josephine Simpson.
Carolyn Louise Simpson.

ROBERT HAMILL (D)

Robert Hamill (Mary Ann Ray 3—Math. 2—John 1) was born March 2nd, 1872; married, October 14th, 1908, Iva Moore. Mr. Hamill died January 31st, 1934. Mrs. Hamill passed away April 29th, 1933. They left a daughter:

- a. Mary Hamill.

Mary Hamill lived on a farm in White Twp., After selling the farm, moved to Indiana. Mrs. Hamill died at the home of her daughter in Braddock.

WILLIAM J. RAY (No. 3)

William J. Ray, Sr. (Matthew 2—John 1) was born in 1838; on March 19th, 1863, he married Amanda Stevens of White Township. She was born in 1842, in Perry County, Pa., and died November 13th, 1907. William J. Ray was a private in Capt. John C. Paul's Co. "D", Fourth Regiment of Penna. Volunteer Cavalry; was enrolled on the 25th day of February, 1864, and was discharged July 1st, 1865, at Lynchburg, Va. He died in 1882. Both are buried in Oakland Cemetery, Indiana, Pa.

Their children were:

- A. William J. Ray, Jr., b. 1864; d.———; md. Ella E. Altman.
- B. Martha J. Ray, b. 11-6-1867; md. 5-28-1913, E. E. Williams.

WILLIAM J. RAY, JR. (A)

William J. Ray, Jr., (William J., Sr. 3—Matthew 2—John 1) was born March 10th, 1864; on _____ he married Ella E. Altman, a daughter of David Altman. He died _____ and is buried at _____. The family moved to _____ Iowa, in the year of _____. Mrs. Ella Altman Ray is still living at _____.

Their children:

- a. Mary A., b. 1888; md. Burt W. Garrett.
- b. E. Pearl, b. 1890; md. 1. Leonard Dorsey; 2nd Harper Dorsey.
- c. Arthur Mark, b. 1892; md. Katie Lake.
- d. David Altman, b. March 19th, 1895; d. Feb. 25th, 1917.
- e. Gladys Myrtle, b. 1899; md. Truman Lear.
- f. William Lyle, b. 1902; md. Hazel Strausser.
- g. Ula (daughter), b. Oct. 15th, 1909; d. Feb. 25th, 1910.

MARY A. (RAY) GARRETT (a)

Mary A Ray (Wm. J., Jr., 4—W. J., Sr. 3—Matthew 2—John 1) was born October 13th, 1888; on March 21st, 1906, she married Burt W. Garrett (b. Dec. 13th, 1875). Their children are:

- a-1. Alice Mary Garrett, b. Apr. 15th, 1907; md. Apr. 17th, 1931, to Percy Milford Jenkins (b. Sept. 12th 1906): Their children are:
Jared Wayne Jenkins, b. Jan. 7th, 1932.
Joan Mary Jenkins, b. Jan. 2nd, 1934.
Jeanette Mae Jenkins, b. March 2nd, 1936.
- a-2. Charles Ray Garrett, b. May 28th, 1909; md. Apr. 28th, 1933, to Hollace Coleen Moddy (b. March 3rd, 1908). Their daughter:
Coral Virginia, died at birth, Feb. 25th, 1934.
- a-3. Mark Lyle Garrett, b. Nov. 2nd, 1911; md. April 6th, 1936, to Elizabeth E. Mickelson, b. 9-10-1911.
- a-4. Ruth Cornelia Garrett, b. May 10th, 1917.
- a-5. Harmon Burt Garrett, b. Jan. 27th, 1920.
- a-6. Elsie Louise Garrett, b. Dec. 17th, 1922.
- a-7. Harold Elmer Garrett, b. Nov. 5th, 1925.

E. PEARL (RAY) DORSEY (b)

E. Pearl Ray (Wm. J., Jr. 4—W. J., Sr. 3—Mathew 2—John 1) was born Sept. 1, 1890; md. Sept 9, 1908, Leonard Dorsey (b. Feb. 8, 1890; d. Oct. 20, 1918). There were three children to this union:

- b-1. Jay Alvin Dorsey, b. Apr. 27, 1910; md. Dec. 30, 1931, to Viola

- b-2. Helen Laura Dorsey, b. Sep. 29, 1912; md. May 27, 1931, Everett Eckhardt. They have:

Betty Jean Eckhardt, b. July 9, 1933.

- B 3. John Rankin Dorsey, b. 3-4-1917.

E. Pearl Ray married, secondly on Jan. 17, 1920, Harper Dorsey, (b. Aug. 17, 1895). They have two children:

Mildred Dorsey, b. Dec. 16, 1921.

Jean Dorsey, b. Sept. 11, 1927.

ARTHUR MARK RAY (c)

Arthus Mark Ray (Wm. J., Jr. 4-W. J., Sr. Mathew 2-John 1) was born Dec. 13, 1892; on Sept. 12, 1912, married Katie Lake (b. July 10, 1894). Their children:

- c-1. Dale Ray, b. Nov. 4, 1915.
- c-2. Dean Ray, b. July 29, 1920.

GLADYS MYRTLE (RAY) LEAR (E)

Gladys Myrtle Ray (Wm. J., Jr. 4-W. J., Sr. 3-Mathew 2-John 1) was born Dec. 7, 1899; on Jan. 21, 1920, married Truman Lear. Their children are as follows:

- f-1. Ula Mae Lear, b. Aug. 20, 1920.
- f-2. Julia Rae Lear, b. Aug. 20, 1920.
(twins)
- f-3. Gertrude Lear, b. Sept. 9, 1924.
- f-4. William Lear, b. Feb. 21, 1927.
- f-5. Ella Elizabeth Lear, b. Oct. 4, 1930. D. 5-16-1936.

WILLIAM LYLE RAY (F)

William Lyle Ray (Wm. J., Jr. 4-W. J., Sr. 3- Mathew 2- John 1) was born Sept 30, 1902; on April 29, 1924, married Hazel Strausser (b. Nov. 24, 1905). They have two children:

- g-1. Virginia Ray, b. May 21, 1926.
- g-2. Wayne Lear Ray, b. Jan. 28, 1931.

MATHEW S. RAY (4)

Mathew S. Ray (Mathew 2-John 1) was born Aug. 15, 1840; on March 28, 1867, he married Maggie C. Butterfield (b. March 7, 1844, Westmoreland Co., Pa.; d. Jan. 9, 1913, in Iowa.) The couple migrated from Indiana county, Pa., to Clarinda, Iowa, and there began housekeeping. He was living at Greenville, Iowa, at the time of his death, March 11, 1929, and is buried at Greenville. They had four children:

A. Myrtle E. Ray, b. Feb. 5, 1868, Page Co., Iowa; md. June 16, 1892, to James A. McPherson; d. Aug. 7, 1930, at Tecumseh, Nebraska. They had no children and lived all of their married life at Tecumseh.

B. Nina J. Ray, b. Sept. 21, 1869, Page Co., Iowa; d. Aug. 1, 1913, Los Angeles, Calif. She married on Nov. 24, 1892, Ira H. McElhoes. They had one son:

Ray McElhoes, residing in Los Angeles, Calif.

C. Mathew C. Ray.

D. Albert Ray, b. 9-21-1877; md. Jessie B. Sackett.

ALBERT RAY (D)

Albert Ray (Mathew S. 3-Mathew 2-John 1) was born Sept. 21, 1877, in Indiana county, and settled in Iowa in or soon after 1886. He graduated from the Western Normal college, Shenandoah, Iowa, in the class of 1898, and is now engaged in argiculture. He married Jessie B. Sackett. Their children are:

1. Myrtle L. Ray, md. H. A. Tuber, a farmer, and live at Greenfield, Iowa. They have three children:

- a. Gene Tuber.
- b. Wanda.
- c. Jo Ann.

2. Hazel M. Ray, md. E. M. Estes. They have one son, Harry A. Estes, who is a teacher in a beauty school in Fort Dodge, Iowa.

3. Jame A. Ray, who is still at home.

MARK RAY (No. 5)

Mark Ray (Mathew 2-John 1) was born in 1846, and in 1870, married Miranda Wolfe (1851-1899), and died 1874. He is buried in Oakland cemetery, Indiana, Pa. After Mark Ray's death his widow married James McHenry. There were two children to the Ray marriage:

- A. Miranda Jane, b. 1871; md. Thomas A. Young.
- B. Mark.

MIRANDA JANE (RAY) YOUNG (A)

Miranda Jane Ray (Mark 3-Mathew 2-John 1) was born in 1871; in 1896 she married Thomas A. Young. Their children:

- a. Mark Ray Young, b. 1897; md. 1922, Carrie Richardson.
- b. Mathew Lyle Young, b. 1898; md. 1923, Pearl Cox.
- c. Helen Elizabeth, b. 1908; md. 1932, John Clinton Goodhue.

MARK RAY YOUNG (a)

Mark Ray Young (M. Jane 4-Mark 3-Mathew 2- John 1), born 1897; married Carrie Richardson in 1922. Their children are as follows:

- a.-1 Helen Mary Young, b. 1926.
- a-2. Frances Jane Young, b. 1927.
- a-3. William Lyle Young, b. 1930.
- a-4. Caroline Janice Young, b. 1932.

MATHEW LYLE YOUNG (b)

Mathew Lyle Young (M. Jane 4-Mark 3-Mathew 2-John 1), born 1898; married Pearl Cox in 1923. They have three children:

- b-1. Lois Merle Young, b. 1927.
- b-2. Leo Carl Young, b. 1928.
- b-3. Lyle Lawrence Young, b. 1935.

HELEN ELIZABETH (YOUNG) GOODHUE (c)

Helen Elizabeth Young (M. Jane 4-Mark 3-Mathew 2- John 1), born 1908; married in 1932, John Clinton Goodhue. They have one son:

- c-1. Dale Clinton Goodhue, b. 1933.

III. JAMES RAY (2)

James Ray married Margaret Elwood on April 8, 1852. She was born March 9, 1828. James Ray's parents' names were John Ray 1 and Mary Moore.

James Ray had the following children.

- (1. James Elwood, b. June 28, 1854, md. Mar. 10, 1881, d. May 14, 1940, md to Sarah Trimble.
2. John Jackson, b. Oct. 20, 1856, never married.
3. Thomas Jefferson, b. Feb. 28, 1859, md. Annie Griffith.
4. William Moore, b. Jan. 7, 1862, d. Apr. 9, 1919, md. Mary Grissley.
5. George, b. May 31, 1864; d. Aug. 20, 1865.
6. Robert Russell, b. Feb. 7, 1867, never married.

2. JAMES ELWOOD RAY (3)

James Elwood Ray (3) was born June 28, 1854, and he died on May 14, 1940. He was married on March 10, 1881 to Sarah Trimble. She was born on July 18, 1855, and died on May 25, 1936. James Elwood Ray's parents names were James Ray 2 - John 1 and Margaret Elwood.

His children are as follows:

- A. A daughter, b. Aug. 22, 1882, d. in infancy.
- B. Harvey Hamilton, b. May 22, 1885, md. Clara Stiner.
- C. Fred Cameron, b. June 27, 1889, md. Sue Ellenberger.
- D. Robert Trimble, b. Feb. 24, 1895, md. Pearl Nelson.
- E. Martha, b. Feb. 7, 1899, md. Lawrence Stephens.

B. HARVEY HAMILTON RAY (4)

Harvey Hamilton Ray was born on May 22, 1885, and died on Feb. 14, 1942. His father's name was James Elwood Ray 3-James 2-John 1. His mother's name was Sarah Trimble. He was married to Clara Stiner. Their children are as follows:

1. James a., d. 1924.
2. Beatrice b., md. Aug 2, 1936 to Eugene McFarland.
3. Charles c., md. April 7, 1936 to Anna Haag.
4. Raymond, d. enlisted in the army, December 1941.
5. Marilyn e.
6. Emerson f.

Charles and Anna (Haag) Ray have a son C-1 1. James Lee Ray.

E. MARTHA RAY (4)

Martha Ray was born Feb. 7, 1899, a daughter of James Elwood Ray 3-James 2-John 1 and Sarah Trimble. She married Lawrence Stephens on Sept. 9, 1920. Lawrence Stephens was born Mar. 11, 1898, a son of Edward Hayes Stephens and Emma Jane Dick.

Martha Ray's children are as follows:

1. Eleanor, b., Sept. 6, 1921, in Penn Run, Ind. county, Pa.
2. James, b. Feb. 18, 1924, in Homer City, Ind. county, Pa.
3. Sara, b. Feb. 15, 1927, in Brush Valley, Ind. county, Pa.
4. Ralph, b. June 7, 1931, in Brush Valley, Ind. county, Pa.

Jame Edward Stephens enlisted in the Navy June 27, 1942.

D. ROBERT TRIMBLE RAY (4)

Robert Trimble Ray was born Feb. 24, 1895. His father's name was James

Elwood Ray 3-James 2- John 1 and his mother's name was Sarah Trimble. He married Pearl Nelson whose father's name was Grant Nelson. Robert Ray's children are as follows:

1. Leonard E.,

C. FRED CAMERON RAY (4)

Fred Cameron Ray was born June 27, 1889. His father's name was James Elwood Ray 3-James 2-John1 and his mother's name was Sarah Trimble. He was married to Sue Ellenberger. Their children are as follows:

1. Mildred, dead.
2. Max, dead.
3. Helen.
4. Dorothy.
5. Wayne, md. Feb. 14, 1942, to Mary Alice McCreary.
6. Clarence.

Wayne Ray was drafted into the Army Sept. 1942.

5. WILLIAM MOORE RAY (3)

William Moore Ray was born on Jan. 7 1862, and died April 9, 1919. His father's name was James Ray 2-John 1 and his mother's name was Margaret Elwood. He was married to Mary Gressley. Their children are as follows:

1. Jesse A., md. Loella Bowers.
2. Ida B., md. Clair Makins.
3. William C., md. Addie Keith.
4. Lester D., md. June Stake.
5. Infant dau. E.

A

1. Jesse (Wm. M. 3-Jas. 2-Jno. 1) md. Louella (Bowers) Ray:
 - a. Lysle.
 - b. Cleona.

B

2. Ida (Ray) (Wm. M. 3-Jas. 2-Jno. 1) md. Clair Makins:
 - a. Clair.
 - b. Vernie.
 - c. Dolores.

C

3. William (Wm. M., 3-Jas. 2-Jno. 1) md. Addie Keith: No children.

D

4. Lester (Wm. M., 3-Jas. 2-Jno. 1) md. June (Stake) Ray.
 - a. One son—deceased.

4. THOMAS JEFFERSON RAY (3)

Thomas Jefferson Ray was born Feb. 28, 1859. His father's name was James Ray 2-John 1 and his mother's name was Margaret Elwood. He was married to Annie Griffith and their children are as follows:

1. Stephen G. (A), md. Nannie Robertson.
2. Elby S. (B), md. Mildred Robertson.

3. Erna (C), md. George Ray.
4. Spear (D), md Cora Allison.
5. Clyde (E), md. Helen Moorhead.
 1. A. Stephen ,Thos. Jefferson 3-James 2-Jno. 1) and Nannie Robertson) Ray have :
 - a. Harold Ray.
 - b. John Ray.
 2. B. Elby S. (Thos. Jef. 3-Jas. 2-Jno. 1) and Mildred (Robertson) Ray have:
 - a. Earl Ray.
 3. C. Erna (Ray) (Thos. Jef. 3-Jas. 2-Jno. 1) and George Ray:
 - a. Anna Bell.
 - b. George.
 - c. Billy.
 - D. Spear (Thos. Jef. 3-Jas. 2-Jno. 1) and Cora (Allison) Ray:
 - a. Harold.
 - b. Kenneth.
 5. E. Clyde (Thos. Jef. 3-Jas. 2-John 1) and Helen (Moorhead) Ray:
 - a. A son.

V. ROBERT R. RAY—2

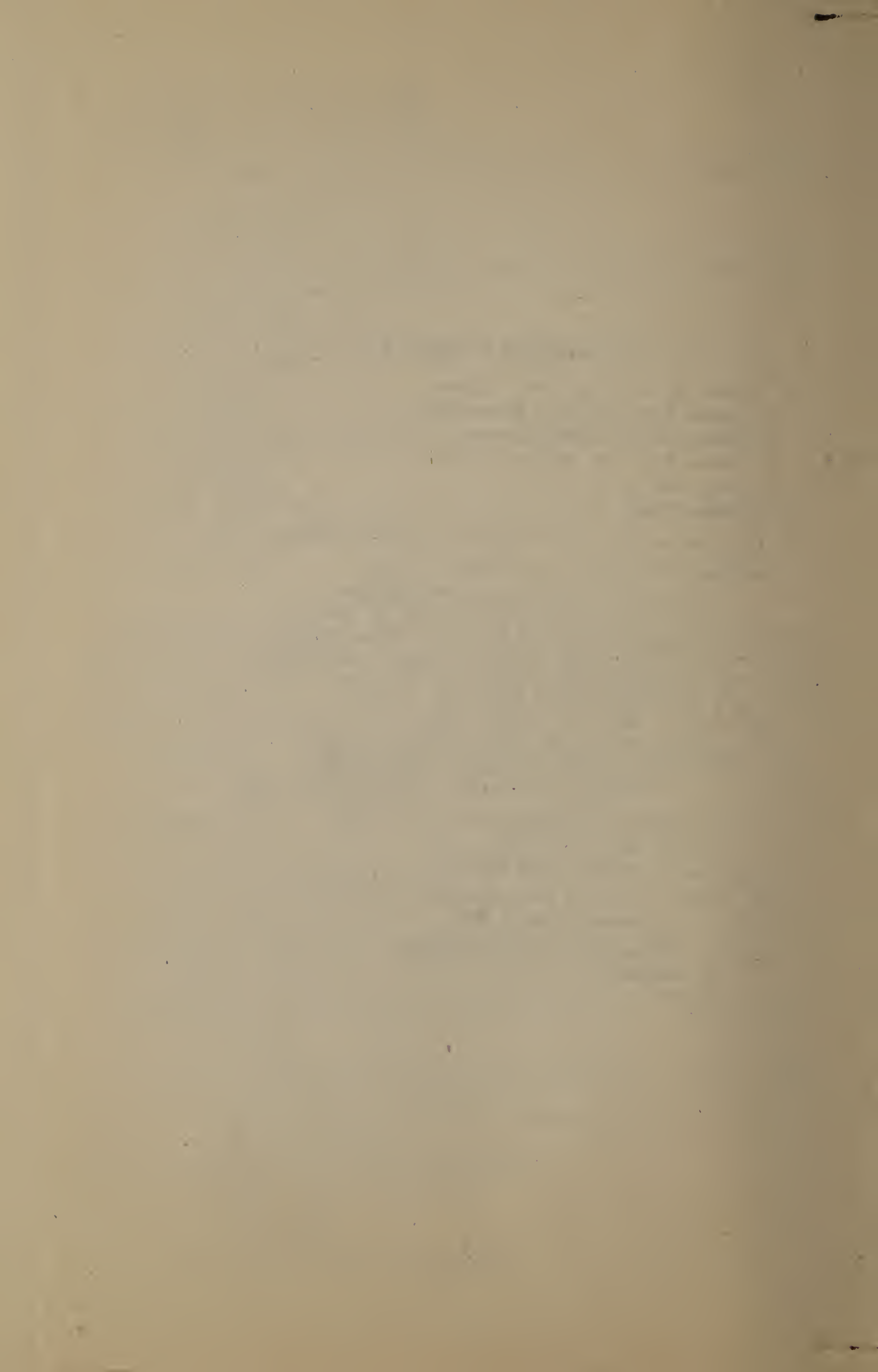
Robert R. Ray was born in 1816 and died Oct. 1 1885. His father's name was John Ray-1 and his mother's name was Mary Moore-1. He died in Rayne Twp., Indiana Co. and is buried in Rayne Ch. Cem. He married Agnes Dick in 1849. She died in May, 1880, in Rayne Twp., Indiana Co., and is buried in Rayne Ch. Cem. Robert Ray's children are:

1. William D., b. 1850 in Brush Valley, Ind. Co., Pa., md. Mary Myers.
2. John Moore, b. Oct. 4, 1852, in Rayne Twp., Ind. Co., Pa., md. Margaret C. Shields.
3. Robert Nelson, b. Dec. 28, 1854, in Rayne Twp., Ind. Co., Pa.,; d. Jan. 11, 1942, bd. Oakland Cem., md. Belle Hastie.
4. Mathew, b. April 12, 1857, in Rayne Twp., Ind. Co., Pa., d. April 1, 1935, bd. Oakland Cem. Single.
5. Sadie, b. Rayne Twp., Ind. Co., Pa., md. Thomas Dick. No children.
6. Jennie (d aged 9 mos.) b. Rayne Twp., Ind. Co., Pa.
7. Minnie, b. Rayne Twp., Ind. Co., Pa., md. Jacob Creps.
8. Elizabeth, b. Rayne Twp., Ind. Co., Pa., md. Wm. Borland.
9. Blanche, b. Rayne Twp., Ind. Co., Pa., md in Oct 7, 1870, to Chas. Zehner.
 1. Wm. D. Ray, md. Mary Myers: (get information from Mrs. Edna Long, R. D. No. 6, Indiana, Pa.)
 2. John Moore Ray, md. Margaret C. Shields: (get information from Ida Ray), Indiana.
 3. Robert Nelson Ray, md. Belle Hastie.
 - A. Hastie, md. Lucille O'Hara.
 - a. Sally Ray.
 - b. Lucille Ray.
 - B. DeWitt Ray, md. Jesse McCool.

V. ROBERT R. RAY—2

1. William D. Ray, md. Mary Myers.
 - A. Agnes Ray, md. Irlin Strawcutter.
 - B. May Ray, md. James Carnes.
 - C. Grace Ray, md. William Crow.
 - D. John Ray.
 - E. Robert Ray.
2. John Moore Ray, md. Margaret Catherine Shields.
 - A. Edna Evelyn Ray, md. Elmer S. Long.
 - a. John S. Long, md. Lucinda McCunn.
 1. Alice Marie Long; 2. John S. Long, jr.
 - b. Margaret Evelyn Long, md. Willis Houck.
 1. Lois Jean Houck; 2. Patty Lou Houck.
 - c. Carolyn Virginia Long, not married.
 - B. Vermont Ray, md. LeRoy Long.
 - a. Clark Ray Long, md. Lucinda St. Clair.
 - b. Clifford LeRoy Long, md. Lois Barter.
 1. Barbara Ann Long; 2. Deanna Lee Long.
 - c. William Paul Long, md. Lois Parks.
 1. Carol Mae Long.
 - C. Anna Aletta Ray, not married.
 - D. Arthur Cleveland Ray, md. Pearl Mushrush.
 1. Gerald Edward Ray.
 - E. Ida Virginia Ray, md. Carl Dinger.

No children.



- a. Betsy Ann Ray.
- C. DeWight Ray, md. Amy Taylor:
 - a. Joan Ray.
- 5. Sadie Ray, md. Thomas Dick, no children.
- 6. Jennie, died in infancy.
- 7. Minnie, md. Jacob Creps:
 - A. E. E. Creps.
 - B. Howard Creps md. Francelia Garson:
 - a. E. Garson, now in the Navy Air Corps.
 - b. John H., enlisted with Naval Reserves.
 - c. James.
 - C. Winona md. James Manners.
 - D. Florence Loretta, Creps, b. 1900, d. 1922, buried in Oakland Cemetery, Indiana, Pa.
- 8. Elizabeth, md. William Borland:
 - A. Walter Borland md. Beulah Spence:
 - a. Harold Borland.
 - B. Agnes Borland, md. ———— Adams.
 - C. Ralph Borland, md. ———— ————:
 - a. Benjamin.
 - b. Ruth.
 - c. Violet.
- 9. Blanche Ray, md. Charles Zehner:
 - A. Lawrence Zehner.
 - B. Ethel Zehner md. Edward Aul:
 - a. Wayne Aul.
 - C. Scott Zehner.

VI. JOHN RAY, Jr. 2

John Ray, Jr., son of John Ray, the Irish immigrant, and wife, Mary Moore, was born in Indiana county, Pennsylvania. On October 19, 1854, he was united in marriage with Mary Ann Dick, also of Indiana county. They migrated to Manchester, Tennessee, in 1872, where John Ray Jr., died May 19, 1904.

Their children were:

1. Thomas Jefferson, b. 1856: md. Katherine E. Blood.
2. John Franklin b. 1858; md. Lillie May Coote.
3. Marcus Orland, b. 1860; md. Minnie Wyley.
4. Mary Belle, b. 1862; md. James Rodgers.
5. Agnes Jane, b. 1863; md. Morrison Gunn.
6. Margaret E., b. 1866; John Hummell.
7. William D., b. May 31, 1868, in Indiana Co., Pa.; d. Jan. 29, 1869.
8. Caroline Georgetta, b. 1870; md. Homer Steward.
9. Minnie Blanche, b. 1873; md. H. J. Steward.
10. S. E. Wilson, b. 1877; md. Maggie M. Beighey.
11. Lilly Pearl, b. 1880; md. Theodore Duncan.

THOMAS JEFFERSON RAY (1)

Thomas Jefferson Ray (John, Jr., 2-John 1) was born July 3, 1856, in

Indiana county, Pa. He married Katherine Blood. They live in Keokuk, Iowa, and have no children.

JOHN FRANKLIN RAY (2)

John Franklin Ray (John Jr., 2-John 1) was born July 14, 1858, in Indiana county. He married Lillie May Coots. Their home is in St. Paul, Minn. They have these children:

- A. Bessie Mary Ray of Rush City, Minn.
- B. Fanny May Ray of Hollywood, Calif.
- C. Mary Bell Ray, of Hollywood, Calif.
- D. Nellie M. Ray, md. ——— Theisen of St. Paul, Minn.

Their children are:

- a. Harvey Leo Theisen, b. April 19, 1916.
- b. Archie Ray Thiesen, b. Jan. 23, 1920.

MARCUS ORLAND RAY (3)

Marcus Orland Ray (John, Jr. 2—John 1) was born August 18, 1860, in Indiana county. On Feb. 22, 1889, he married Minnie Wyley. Their home is in Manchester, Tenn.

Their children:

- A. Eleanor Ray.
- B. Minnie Ray.
- C. Mildred Ray, md. Harvey Houston of Town Creek, Ala. They have two sons.
- D. Margaret Ray, md. William Yearwood, Nashville, Tenn. They have one son.
- E. Vivian Ray; married, but has no children.
- F. Maynard Ray, deceased.
- G. Harry Ray, md. Della —————
 - a. Harris Ray.
- H. John W. Ray, md. Shirley Williams. Reside in Manchester, Tenn.
 - a. Jane Ray.
 - b. Katherine Ray.
 - c. Shirley Ann Ray.

MARY BELLE (RAY) RODGERS (4)

Mary Belle Ray (John, Jr. 2-John 1) was born May 3, 1862, in Indiana county. She married James Rodgers, and resides in Oakdale, La. Their children are as follows:

- A. Mary Pearle Rodgers, md. C. O. Johnston of Denham Springs La. They have one son and two daughters.
- B. Addie Laura Rodgers, md. Oran Melton of Oakdale, La. They have a daughter.
- C. Earl Rodgers; married, but has no children. Lives in San Antonio, Texas.
- D. T. J. Rodgers, deceased. His widow lives in Hammond, La. There is one daughter to this marriage.

AGNES JANE (RAY) GUNN (5)

Agnes Jane Ray (John Jr. 2—John 1) was born in Indiana county, Dec. 21, 1863. On January 6, 1898, she became the bride of Morrison Gunn. They had two children:

- A. Roy Gunn, who lives in New Mexico.
- B. Wilson Gunn, lives in Texas; married, and has a son.

MARGARET E. (RAY) HUMMELL (6)

Margaret E. Ray (John, Jr. 2-John 1) was born in Indiana county, April 23, 1866. She married John Hummell. They live at 426 Orchard St., Elwood City, Pa. Their children:

- A. Pearl Hummell, md. Clyde Nash.
 - a. Ray Nash b. March, 1920.
- B. Ivy Hummell, md. Edwin Clark.
 - a. Ruth Clark.
 - b. Joan Clark.
- C. Leatha Hummell, md. ——— Clinton.
 - a. Shirley Clinton.
- D. Beulah Hummell, md. Ray Marshall.
 - a. Peggy Marshall.
 - b. Edwin Marshall.

CAROLINE GEORGETTA (RAY) STEWARD (8)

Caroline Georgetta Ray (John, Jr. 2-John 1) was born December 3, 1780, in Indiana county, and was taken to Manchester, Tenn., when very young. She married Homer Stewart; the family home is in Salem, Ore. Their children are:

- A. Philo Stewart, deceased.
- B. Lawson Stewart, md. Alberta ———.
 - a. Shirley Stewart.
- C. Floyd Stewart, md. Thressa Fowler.
 - a. Eleanor Stewart.
 - b. Marjorie Stewart.
 - c. Leota Stewart.
 - d. Barbara Ann Stewart.
- D. Ray Stewart, resides in Salem, Ore.
- E. Lilly May Stewart, md. H. F. Persing. Their home is in Canada.
 - a. Orville Persing.
 - b. Opal Persing.
- F. Ruby Stewart, unmarried; resides in Salem, Ore.

MINNIE BLANCHE (RAY) STEWARD (9)

Minnie Blanche Ray (John, Jr. 2-John 1) was born January 11, 1873, in Manchester, Tenn; died May 14, 1896. She married H. J. Stewart, who is also deceased. They had one son, now dead.

S. E. WILSON RAY (10)

S. E. Wilson Ray (John, Jr. 2-John 1) was born in Manchester, Tenn.,

February 4, 1877; married January 25, 1900, Maggie M. Beighey. They live in Morrison, Tenn. Their children are ::

- A. Katie Ray, b. February 15, 1901; md. William Rodgers, May 7, 1924. They live in Kalamazoo, Mich.
 - a. E. D. Rogers, b. February 6, 1925.
 - b. Aleta Joy Rodgers, b. November 1, 1926.
 - c. William Rodgers, Jr., July 9, 1928.
- B. Clela Ray, b. February 15, 1901; md. May 7, 1924, Wiley Hickerson; reside in Niles, Mich. Their children:
 - a. Wilda Jean Hickerson, b. March 30, 1925
 - b. Bobby Lee Hickerson b. April 27, 1928; d. February 1930.
 - c. Leiron Merl Hickerson, b. September 10, 1929.
 - d. Beverly Ann Hickerson, b. September 10, 1931.
- C. Ernest D. Ray, b. October 6, 1903; md. September 23, 1931, Berta Lee Maples; live in Hartsville, Ala.
 - a. Charles Wilson Ray, b. December 8, 1933.
- D. Leiron M. Ray, b. February 11, 1906; md. April 20, 1927, Frank B. Houston, Jr. They live in Lewisburg, Tenn.
 - a. Edith Helen Houston, b. September 8, 1930.
- E. Gordon H. Ray, b. March 16, 1909; md. June 3, 1931, Ethel Ogle; reside in Tullohoma, Tenn. Their children:
 - a. Margaret L. Ray, b. March 31, 1932.
 - b. Wayne Ray, b. Feb. 21, 1934.
 - c. Mary Gordon Ray, b. Feb. 18, 1936.
 - d. Nina Janet Ray, b. March 9, 1938.
- F. Marlin O. Ray, b. Aug. 28, 1914; d. Nov. 9, 1936.
- G. Helen B. Ray, b. June 28, 1924; d. October 23, 1941.

LILLY PEARL (RAY) DUNCAN (11)

Lilly Pearl Ray (John Jr. 2—John 1), the youngest child of John Ray, Jr., and Mary Ann Dick, was born February 6, 1880, in Manchester, Tenn. She married Theodore Duncan, December 3, 1913. They live at Indio, Calif. Their children are:

- A. Harold W. Duncan, b. October 18, 1915; md. July 13, 1935, Martha Wolden.
- B. Edwin Ray Duncan, b. April 8, 1920; is a student at the University of California.

VII. GEORGE RAY (2)

George Ray was born June 3, 1823. His father's name was John Ray-1 and his mother's name was Mary Moore. George Ray was a farmer and a drover. Horses, cattle and sheep were scarce in the section where new citizens homesteaded. To this end men went to Maryland and Virginia to buy and drive north horses, cattle and sheep to sell the farmers; these men became known as drovers. George Ray Jr. now lives on the farm.

The drover's task was a hard and trying one, seeing to the safety of the herd, feeding, watering and watching or putting them up for the night. In the day of the drover—watering troughs of hewn logs or stone were common,

also were toll roads or pikes. It is said there were more toll gates than watering troughs, and many were the attempts to build back roads, back a half mile or so, to parallel the toll road around the toll gate, then onto the pike.

He was married to Ann Lydic. She was born April 8, 1826; d. June, 1908. Her father's name was Isaac Lydic and her mother's name was Anna Turner. She was a grand-daughter of John Lydic and also of Isaac McHenry, both veterans of the Revolutionary war. Their children are as follows:

1. Mary b. July 29 1846 md. James McCoy.
2. Isaac L., b. July 16, 1848; d. 8-11-1937; md. Nettie Viola Gray.
3. John C., b. Feb. 20, 1850, md. Adda Bracken.
4. Margaret, b. Aug. 22, 1852; never married.
5. Jennie K., b. June 10, 1854, md. Daniel Munshower; no children.
6. James Moore, b. Oct. 28, 1856, d. 3-13-1932; md. 9-23-1891, Emma S. Lear, b. 12-18-1869; d. 3-7-1937.
7. Samuel Turner, b. Dec. 6, 1857; never married. d. 3-31-1932.
8. Anna E., b. Oct. 13, 1859, md. Theodore T. Lockhart.
9. Hannah Samantha b. Aug. 12, 1861, md. George Martin.
10. Matilda L., b. Nov. 6, 1864; deceased; unmarried.
11. Emma, b. Sept. 21, 1867, md. A. Sample Long.
12. George Washington, b. Jan. 20, 1869, md. Cora M. Ralston.

I. MARY RAY

1. Mary Ray (Geo. 2-John 1) and James McCoy have:
 - A. Anna McCoy ,Mary Ray 3-Geo. 2-John 1), md. Perryington Lewis, live in Indiana.
 - a. Beatrice Lewis md. Edward Payne. Have:
 - a-1 Richard Payne.
 - b. Dale Lewis, md. Erma College. Have:
 - b-1 Mary Ann Lewis.
 - c. Pauline Lewis—unmarried.
 - B. Samuel McCoy, md. Lola M. (Eylen) McCoy; have no children. Live in Ala.
 - C. George McCoy, md. Ida Austin; have no children. Live in Ala.
 - D. John McCoy, md. Alice Stitt. Have:
 - a. Ruth McCoy.
 - E. Maude McCoy, md. John Kinter. No children.
 - F. Margaret McCoy, (Mary 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Arthur Partridge; lives in Alabama. Have:
 - a. Alfred Partridge.
 - b. Maude Partridge, md. Raleigh McKenzie.
 - c. Raymond Partridge.

2. ISAAC L. RAY.

2. Isaac L. (Geo.—2 John—1) and Nettie Viola (Gray) Ray. Have:
 - A. Viola Ray, md. Ralph Criswell, 11-14-42. Lives at State College.

3. JOHN C. RAY.

3. John C. (Geo.—2, John 1) and Adda (Bracken) Ray, have:

- A. Harry Ray, single. All reside in Johnstown, Pa.
- B. Howard Ray, (John 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Garnet Dutton.
 - a. Ruth A. Ray, md. George E. Fisher. Have:
 - a-1. George E. Fisher.
 - a-2. Howard I. Fisher.
 - b. Dorothy L. Ray.
 - c. Robert H. Ray.
- C. Esther E. Ray, (John 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Edward Fritz.
 - a. Dorothy Fritz.
 - b. Vivian Fritz.
- D. Ruth A. Ray, (John 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Victor Wolfe.
 - a. Donald Wolfe.
 - b. William Wolfe.

6. JAMES MOORE RAY -

- 6. James Moore Ray (Geo. 2—John 1) and Emma Samantha Lear, (daughter of Peter Lear and Jane Nixon Lear) of Blairsville, Pa., were united in marriage by Rev. D. H. Barron, pastor of the Hollidaysburg Presbyterian Church, Hollidaysburg, Pa., on the 23rd of September, 1891. Both are deceased and are buried in Alto Rest Cemetery, Altoona, Pa.
- A. Leonard Nixon Ray, (Jas. 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Margaret Lois Stern. Live in Altoona, Pa. Have:
 - a. Leonard Nixon Ray, Jr.
 - b. Oakley Stern Ray.
 - c. Frederic Duane Ray.
- B. Goldie Anna Ray (James 3—Geo. 2—John 1; unmarried.
- C. Mabel Nettie Ray (James 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Archibald Weir Fay. Live in Cleveland, O. Have:
 - a. Eddie Fay.
- D. Talmage Turner Ray, James 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Harriet Hoover; reside in Pittsburgh, Pa. Have:
 - a. Ann Elizabeth Ray.
 - b. Robert Ray.
- E. Charles Moore Ray, (James 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Margaret Ream; live in Columbus, Ohio. Have:
 - a. James Ray.
 - b. Donn Ray.
 - c. Betsy Lawrence Ray.
- F. Blair Peter Ray (James 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Mary Fowler; live in Altoona, Pa. Have:
 - a. William Edward Ray.
 - b. Darrell Blair Ray.
 - c. Joseph Alton Ray.
 - d. John Nelson Ray.
- G. Robert Banks Ray (James 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Helene Smith; Live in Altoona. Have:
 - a. June Lyndell Ray.

- b. Eugene Ray.
- H. Lyda Belle Ray (James 3—Geo. 2—John 1) md. Hugh Dougherty; live in Richmond Hill, N. Y. Have:
 - a. Hugh Dougherty.
 - b. Ray Dougherty.

8. ANNA E. RAY

- 8. Anna E. Ray (Geo. 2—John 1) and T. T. Lockard had two children that died in infancy—one is buried at Gilgal; the other at Harmony.

9. HANNAH SAMANTHA RAY

- 9. Hannah Samantha Ray (Geo. 2—John 1) and George Martin have:
 - A. Milton Martin, unmarried; lives at Ben Avon, Ind. Co.
 - B. Edna Martin, md. Samuel Berringer. Have:
 - a. Leroy Berringer.

11. EMMA RAY

- 11. Emma Ray (Geo. 2—John 1) and Sample Long, have:
 - A. Ola Long, md. Kent C. Richmond.
 - B. Lila Long, md. H. Clifford Donley.
 - a. Clifford Donley.
 - C. Gertrude Long.
 - D. Grace Long, md. Albert H. Heasley.
 - a. June Heasley.
 - E. Marvel Long.

12. GEORGE WASHINGTON RAY

George Washington Ray (Geo. 2—John 1) was born Jan. 20, 1869. He was married to Cora M. Ralston. They have the following children:

- A. Clark E. (Geo Jr.. 3—Geo. 2—John 1) and Helen E. (Mack) Ray. Live in Indiana. Have:
 - a. Clark Ray, Jr. (deceased).
 - b. Thomas George Ray
- B. Ralph Roy Ray (Geo. Jr. 3—Geo. 2—John 1) and Nettie (Marlin) Ray; live in Altoona.
 - a. Dorothy.
 - b. George.
 - c. Duane.
 - d. Charles.
 - e. Ralph Ray, Jr.
- C. Wilda Ray.
- D. Wilbur (Geo. Jr. 3—Geo. 2—John 1) and Vada (McLaughlin) Ray. Have:
 - a. Jo Ann Ray.
- E. Luther Ray, md. _____
- F. Marie Ray.

IX ELIZABETH RAY 2

Elizabeth Ray's father's name was John Ray 1 and her mother's name was Mary Moore. She was married to John Kinter. They had these children:

1. Austin Kinter, md. Anna E. Walker.
2. William Kinter, md. Amanda Rowe.
3. Mary Jane Kinter, md. John Kinter.
 1. Austin and Anna E. (Walker) Kinter. Have:
 - A. Violet Kinter.
 2. William and Amanda (Rowe) Kinter.
 - A. Lula Kinter, md. Chas. Kinter.
 - a. Helen Kinter, md. George Orr.
 - a-1 Earl Orr.
 - a-2 Ruth Orr.
 - b. Paul Kinter md. Florence Wohler.
 - b-1 Elaine Kinter.
 - b-2 Charles Kinter.
 - c. Irene Kinter.
 - d. Lynn Kinter.
 - e. Arthur Kinter, md. Dorothy Deitz.
 - f. Howard Kinter.
 - g. Harold Kinter.
 - h. Evelyn Kinter.
 - i. Florence Kinter.
 - j. Dwight Kinter, md. Betty Botsford. Now in Army.
 - k. Richard Kinter.
 - l. Isabel Kinter.
 - m. Theda Kinter.
 - B. Foster Kinter.
 - C. Jane Kinter.
 - D. Eva Kinter, md. Ben Thomas, undertaker; they live in Marion Center. Children are:
 - a. Hazel Thomas, md. Murray Buterbaugh:
 - a-1 Kay Buterbaugh.
 - a-2 J. Murray Buterbaugh.
 - b. Grace Thomas (deceased), md. Earl Rickard..
 - b-1 James Rickard (deceased).
 - b-2 Jackie Rickard.
 - c. Sim Thomas, md. Margaret Conway:
 - c-1 Conway Thomas.
 - d. Eugene Thomas.
 - e. Fred Thomas
 - E. Gertrude Kinter and James Barclay:
 - a Marion Barclay.
 - b. Edna Barclay

- c. Mildred Barclay, md. Earl Wyncoop.
- d. Anna Mae Barclay.
- F. Bert Kinter—unmarried.
- G. Dan Kinter, md. Lenora Painter:
 - a. Bernard Kinter.
 - b. Wayne Kinter.
 - c. William Kinter.
 - d. James Kinter.
- 3. Mary Jane Kinter md. John Kinter.
 - A. Minnie Kinter md. Charles G. Shank:
 - a. C. Earl Shank md. LaRue Drummond.
 - a-1 Frances Virginia Shank.
 - a-2 Ivajean LaRue Shank.
 - b. Lisle E. Shank.
 - c. Paul Shank md. May E. North:
 - c-1 John Charles Shank.

X WILLIAM MOORE RAY—2

William Moore Ray was born May 1, 1830. His father's name was John Ray-1 and his mother's name was Mary Moore. He was married to Helen Kinter Myers, who was born on Jan. 21, 1835. They had these children:

- 1. son-d, in infancy.
- 2. John Ross Ray—single.
- 3. George Myers Ray—single.
- 4. Thomas Foster Ray—single.
- 5 Mary Elizabeth Ray.
- 6. William Henry Ray md. Flora Mae Peterman.
- 7. Harry Wilson Ray, md. Florence Margaret Moore.
- 8. Jennie C. Ray, md. Clark Smith McCunn.
- 6. William Henry Ray and Flora Mae Peterman:
 - A. Mildred Viola Ray, md. Robert Parks.
 - B. Lillian Grace Ray, md. Dean McGeary:
 - a. Nancy Lee McGeary.
 - b. Eleanor Ruth McGeary.
 - C. Lottie Matilda Ray.
- 7. Harry Wilson and Florence M. (Moore) Ray:
 - A. Helen Matilda Ray, md. Horace Bence.
 - a. Margaret Regina Bence.
 - b. Helen Elizabeth Bence.
 - c. William Harry Bence.
 - B. Virginia Clare Ray.
 - C. Harry Woodrow Ray.
 - D. George Harold Ray.
 - E. John Bernard Ray.
- 8. Jennie C. (Ray) and Clark S. McCunn (deceased).
 - A. Howard Dale McCunn.
 - B. Marvel Elizabeth McCunn.

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